SH vs CH — Minimal Pairs

sh is a long hiss; ch is a quick puff. Kids often mix them up — this drill contrasts them directly.

Name: _____ Date: _____

How to use this worksheet

1. Say the SH word out loud, stretching the sh sound.
2. Say the CH word out loud, making it short and punchy.
3. Write both words on their blank lines.
4. Read the pair again, back to back, to feel the difference.

Example — this is what a correct answer looks like:

shop shop **chop** chop

Tip

If your child mixes these up while reading, come back to this page and drill the 3 pairs again before moving on.

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Say each pair out loud. Notice how only the first sound changes. Write both words.

SH word	CH word
ship	chip
shop	chop
sheep	cheap